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COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA

STATE CORPORATION COMMISSION

AT RICHMOND, NOVEMBER 12, 1999

APPLICATION OF

GTE SOUTH INCORPORATED

CASE NO. PUC990123

To implement extended local
service from its Manassas
exchange to its Arcola Exchange

FINAL ORDER

On July 9, 1999, GTE South Incorporated ("GTE") filed an application with the State Corporation Commission ("Commission") pursuant to the provisions of § 56-484.2 of the Code of Virginia. GTE proposed to notify its Manassas exchange customers of the increases in monthly rates that would be necessary to expand their local service to include the Company's Arcola exchange. Customers in the Arcola exchange had previously petitioned the Commission for local calling to Manassas. In a poll conducted in response to the petition, the majority of Arcola customers responding to the poll supported paying higher rates for local calling to Manassas. A poll of Manassas customers in response to this application was not required under § 56-484.2(A) of the Code of Virginia because the proposed rate increase for one-party residential customers did

not exceed five percent (5%) of the existing monthly one-party residential rate.

By Order dated August 3, 1999, the Commission directed GTE to publish notice of the proposed increase. Affected telephone customers were given until October 8, 1999, to file comments or request a hearing on the proposal. No comments or requests for hearing were received.

On October 8, 1999, GTE filed proof of notice as required by the Commission's August 3, 1999, Order.

On October 29, 1999, the Commission Staff submitted its report regarding the Company's application. The Staff recommended that GTE's application to implement extended local service from its Manassas exchange to its Arcola exchange be approved. Accordingly,

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED THAT:

(1) The proposed extension of local service from GTE's Manassas exchange to its Arcola exchange shall be implemented.

(2) GTE shall file the tariff revisions necessary for the proposed extension of local service.

(3) There being nothing further to come before the Commission, this docket is closed and the papers filed herein shall be placed in the file for ended causes.